

BUT THREE PROPOSITIONS

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ON WHICH MINERS VOTE

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Scranton, Pa., May 4.—At today's session of the miners convention copies of correspondence which included all the propositions made by the miners and operators were distributed to the delegates. Attached to the papers was a short report from the scale committee, which narrows the question for miners to determine down to three propositions: viz, return to work under the present conditions, to accept restricted methods of arbitration, or strike. The report of the scale committee holds out no hope for concessions from the operators or intervention by the president.

At the conclusion of the afternoon session yesterday, President Mitchell made a statement in the course of which he used the word "strike" for the first time since the present negotiations began.

"There is not much to say at this time," he said, "as was indicated at the opening of the afternoon session, the sentiment seems strong against accepting the conditions and restricted arbitration statement submitted by the operators or renewing the award of the anthracite strike commission for three years. The strike feeling has been intensified by the unfortunate and unjustifiable action of the state constabulary at Mount Carmel, as well as their conduct in other parts of the coal regions, since the suspension went into effect. Of course, it cannot be stated positively what the vote will be. That will not be known until tomorrow or Saturday."

BOMB EXPLODED KILLING A STUDENT

Russian in School at Paris Lost Life and a Companion Was Dangerously Wounded.

Paris, May 4.—A bomb explosion occurred in the forest of Vincennes at two o'clock yesterday afternoon killing a Russian named Striga and dangerously wounding a companion named Sokoloff. The two men were proceeding through the woods each carrying a bomb with the evident purpose of hiding them for future use. While so doing the bomb which Striga carried exploded killing him instantly. Sokoloff was struck by fragments of the bomb and fearfully lacerated.

Striga and Sokoloff both were students of the school of mines and members of the Russian student's union. They also belonged to the revolutionary society.

The residents of several Russian revolutionaries have been searched leading to the discovery of alleged incendiary documents. Two copies of Sokoloff were arrested.

The authorities last night exploded the second bomb which was found to be extremely destructive.

DECEIVED PUBLIC AS TO THEIR BUSINESS

Declares the Master in the Case of Haight & Freese Company of Boston Yesterday Afternoon.

Boston, May 4.—In his report as master, filed in the United States circuit court yesterday afternoon, Marcus Morton finds that Haight & Freese company conducted a "so-called bucket shop"; that its dealings were intended to make the public believe its business was legitimate; that certain correspondence indicated a knowledge that the business was illegitimate.

"The report was made in the suit of Anna H. L. Wells, administratrix of Charles Wells, against the company. It was on this bill that the receiver, James D. Colt, was appointed. Intervening petitions were heard, too.

The assets of the company were about \$150,000; its liabilities about \$500,000. The master finds it was insolvent.

JUST BREATHE IT

Hymenei Cures Catarrh in Natural and Rational Way.

No dangerous drugs or alcoholic concoctions are taken into the system when Hymenei is used in the treatment of catarrh. Breathed through the nasal inhaler that comes with every outfit, the balsamic healing of Hymenei penetrates to the most remote cells of the nose, throat and lungs, killing all catarrhal germs, healing the irritated mucous membrane and effecting a complete and permanent cure.

In a natural and rational way, by hydrating the air you breathe with Hymenei, every breath will be healing and anti-septic, like the air found on the mountains where the pine forests give off their fragrant and healing balsam.

No medicine taken into the stomach can possibly reach the remote cells of the air passages, or give the immediate relief that follows the use of Hymenei. A few days' treatment is usually all that is necessary to show how quickly this remedy will cure catarrh.

No successful lung Hymenei has been in the care of catarrh among their customers that Hymenei & Wells sell it under a positive guarantee that is costs nothing unless it gives satisfaction. The complete outfit sells for one dollar, while extra bottles can be obtained for 50 cents.

PRIZE FIGHTERS TRY NEW YORK LAW

Marvin Hart and Mike Schreck Have a Go in Madison Square Garden Before "Twentieth Century Club."

New York, May 4.—For the first time since the repeal of the Horton law governing boxing bouts in the state two heavy-weight pugilists of prominence met here last night in a four-round contest. The principals were Marvin Hart of Louisville and Mike Schreck of Chicago and they appeared in the bout which wound up the first series of exhibitions in the Madison Square Garden concert hall by the newly revived Twentieth Century Athletic club.

The men were slow in the opening round, but fought each other almost to a standstill in the other three rounds. Neither seemed to have trained for the contest and they simply dugged wildly without any show of science or judgment. Tim Hurst was referee, but his duties were confined to making the men break from clinches, as no decisions are rendered under the existing legal restrictions. Only club members were admitted. The membership books were open until 7 p. m.

Two local fighters in one of the preliminary bouts were quietly arrested after leaving the ring in order that a test case may be made as to the legality of the fights as conducted last night. Otherwise there was no police interference.

SEVERAL COLLISIONS IN BREST, FRANCE

Rioters Stone Cavalry and Latter Charged Repeatedly—Ten Arrests Were Made.

Brest, France, May 4.—Several collisions between rioters and troops occurred here during the night. The rioters stoned the cavalry which replied by charging the mob repeatedly. Ten arrests were made.

SWAP FAMILIES.

Illinois Farmer and Hired Man Make Agreement.

St. Louis, Mo., May 4.—Fred L. Jackson of St. Louis traded his wife, 41 years old and the mother of six children, for the 21-year-old wife of J. M. Mosby, a farmer living near Pana, Ill., according to allegations in a warrant sworn out at Pana, on which Mosby has been arrested. Written contracts, drawn up by a lawyer, recorded the separation of the couples, the common law marriage of each husband to the other's wife, and the adoption of Jackson's six children by Mosby. Mosby's only child, a girl placed by agreement in the custody of his young wife, is believed to be in St. Louis with her mother. Mrs. Jackson, who now calls herself Mrs. Mosby, is at a farm adjoining the Mosby place, where she went when she heard of Mosby's arrest.

Jackson is 44 years old, and went to work on Mosby's farm, taking his family with him. Soon it occurred to the young farmer, fond of the Jackson children and their mother, that he could easily support them all on the farm, a task which their rightful protector had found too hard for him in the city; and to Jackson, more blessed with children than with the fatherly instinct, it occurred that once rid of his burden he could make a happy home for the young woman, who was tired of farm life and eager for the city.

Jackson broached the idea to Mrs. Mosby. It struck her favorably, and she suggested it to her husband. He seemed even more pleased with it than she did, and the contract was quickly drawn up and signed.

MAY FIND LESS FAVOR.

The New Russian Ministry With the Liberals.

St. Petersburg, May 4.—The Novoe Vremya, which has been the regime resumes its old relations with the government prints this morning what purports to be an authoritative statement of the Goremynkin ministry, coupled with an intimation that the official announcement may not be given out before the conclusion of the national parliament. The ministry, however, which contains several unexpected names, is apt to find far less favor with the Liberal majority in the popular branch of the parliament than the Witte cabinet. The object of postponing the announcement of the new ministry is held to fathom.

RECEIVE DOWIE COLDLY.

Only a Few of His Former Adherents Attend His Meetings.

Chicago, Ill., May 4.—John Alexander Dowie is making little progress in regaining a foothold among his former followers in Zion City. Dowie has been in Zion City for five days and has held three meetings in Shiloh tabernacle. The third meeting, which he has conducted since his return to Zion City was held last night. Fewer than 300 Dowieites attended.

Dowie denied all the charges that have been made against him. Mrs. Dowie was on the platform with him last night and addressed the meeting. Dowie's health seems to be improving. Last night he walked about the platform while he was addressing the meeting.

"MARCH TO SEA" ABANDONED.

Father Sherman Won't Go Over Memorial Route.

Atlanta, Ga., May 4.—The Rev. Father Sherman yesterday abandoned his trip over the historic fields which his father, Gen. W. T. Sherman, traversed 40 years ago, and with the accompanying party, returned to Fort Oglethorpe yesterday.

Father Sherman expressed regret that his mission should have been misunderstood. He declared at first that he would continue the trip alone, but finally decided to return with the military escort which had extended him the courtesy of the trip.

EXAMINATION COMPLETED

Commission About Ended With House of Correction

AN IMPORTANT ORDER

Prisoners on Being Released Will Be Described to Rutland Saloon Keepers, So That They May Not Be Sold Liquor.

Rutland, May 4.—Although the commission will make outside inquiries along certain lines previous to making their report, yesterday's session of the Vermont state prison investigation committee closed the work of that body. An important development was the instruction to Supt. Morgan by Attorney General Clark C. Ellis to notify all saloon keepers in this city a day or two previous to the release of all prisoners serving sentences for intoxication, giving a description of each one, so as to lessen the probability of his obtaining liquor when he is free.

Many cases were cited of men who have served sentences for intoxication returning to the institution within 24 hours after their release on the same charge. The majority of these men are from out of town and are not known to local dealers who sell liquor to them.

During the testimony Michael Cain, foreman of the maple shops, admitted having paid prisoners for making oxen trinkets for him, but said that they worked upon their own time, at night. W. E. Quigley, superintendent of the finishing department of the Vermont Marble company, stated that if the prison labor were contracted for from the state, for a period of years, the value of such labor would be small, not over 40 cents a day per man.

M. R. Brown, manager of the marble works in the institution, said that the invoices, vouchers and checkbooks were formerly audited by the board of directors, but that now John N. Woodin, president of the board of directors, makes out the checks from the vouchers and sends them to the state auditor.

He said the income last year was the largest on record. He never knew of a man being ill-treated by the guards.

E. C. Tuttle, a former director, testified that during the time he was on the board the accounts were audited monthly. He said he never knew of a man being ill-treated by the guards. In this instance the man sent a letter to Gov. Smith, who turned it over to Mr. Tuttle, and the latter investigated, finding no cause.

CLEMENT SLANDER SUIT HAS BEEN ARGUED

Evidence Was Concluded Yesterday Afternoon in "Spotter" Wilson's Suit for \$50,000 Damages.

Burlington, May 4.—All the evidence in the slander suit of Wilson against Clement is now before the jury and the arguments were begun yesterday afternoon by M. L. Powell for the plaintiff. The evidence in the case during the day was largely of Wilson's character, but was made more forcible because of the fact that men prominent throughout the state were called.

Among those who testified as to Wilson's character were A. E. Watson of Hartford secretary of the republican state committee; F. G. Handy of St. Johnsbury; C. A. Cadwaller of St. Johnsbury and Sheriff P. H. Peck of Windsor county.

Mr. Calderwood said the White River Junction shooting was commonly called "murder" in St. Johnsbury. He heard Clement speak at the trial of the "world's murder," except in connection with his statement that Wilson should have been indicted for murder instead of manslaughter.

HASKINS AND COMBERS ON LABOR LEGISLATION

Vermont Representative Asked Latter If It Wouldn't Be Best for Labor to Vote and Not Send Threatening Letters.

Washington, May 4.—Appearing before the House committee on labor yesterday for action on the eight-hour bill President Combers of the A. F. of L. said the working people of the country were earnest in their desire for the legislation and that their patience was exhausted.

Referring to charges that labor men had threatened members of Congress with their suppositories he said: "For heaven's sake don't let us become a crime or an offense for an American citizen to express his preference for one congressman over another? I imagine it is not so grave an offense for the workmen to exercise their sovereign political power granted them with all other citizens in the furtherance of their interests or in the protection of the rights to which they are entitled."

Representative Haskins of Vermont interrupted to ask: "Would it not be better for the labor organizations of the country to quietly exercise their right of suffrage as all other people do rather than to send out letters threatening members who are acting under oath of office, in order to induce them to conform to their pampered wishes in the enactment of certain legislation?"

"I think the question is nearly a fair one," replied Mr. Combers. "It leaves the impression that the working people have done a thing which they had neither the lawful nor moral right to do. And I deny that the working people have done anything of the sort."

EXCITEMENT CAUSED BROKER TO COLLAPSE

Corwin H. Spencer of St. Louis Died Yesterday Afternoon While Watching Market—He Is Said to Have Been Heavily Hit.

St. Louis, May 3.—Corwin H. Spencer, a leading grain dealer, capitalist, vice president of the world's fair and former president of the Merchants' Exchange, collapsed yesterday afternoon while watching the stock quotation board at the Planters' hotel, and died soon afterward.

Physicians say that excitement, due to watching the slump in the market, combined with acute indigestion brought on by eating pig's feet for lunch, caused the fatal attack.

Business associates say he was heavily caught long on certain railroad stocks, among them Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Louisville & Nashville. It is reported that his losses during the week will aggregate several hundred thousand dollars. He was considered worth \$2,000,000. He was a member of the St. Louis Country Commercial and Noonday clubs.

WILL BE BURIED IN MONTPELIER.

Wayne Bailey, One of Rutland's Most Prominent Men, Is Dead.

Rutland, May 4.—Wayne Bailey, one of Rutland's most prominent citizens and a man who has a wide acquaintance throughout the state because of his affiliations with local banks, the Rutland Agricultural society and with the probate office, of which he had been registrar for 20 years, died of pneumonia yesterday.

The deceased was born in Rupert May 10, 1845.

While giving a cannon salute at the time of the second inauguration of President Grant, Mr. Bailey lost both hands and the sight of his right eye. But not daunted at this handicap, he determined to study law and entered the office of Dunton & Vessey of this city. He was admitted to the Rutland county bar in 1872. He was appointed registrar of probate by Judge C. S. Colburn, serving until his death.

He served as state railroad commissioner from 1881 to 1884 and was at one time doorkeeper at the House of Representatives. Since 1874 he had been a member of the state bar. The deceased also served this city in different capacities, being a member of the board of assessors at the time of his death. He was also Rutland county jail commissioner. At the time of his death he was president of the Rutland Savings bank and a director of the Killington National bank.

Mr. Bailey was married at Montpelier March 15, 1881, to Miss May L. Stone, who survives him. They have two adopted daughters, Misses Marguerite R. and Alice M. Bailey. The funeral will probably be held at the Congregational church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The burial will be at Montpelier.

DEAD IN HER BED.

Mrs. Julia R. Gage of Hinesburgh Found Yesterday.

Hinesburgh, May 4.—The community was shocked yesterday by the announcement of the sudden death of Mrs. Julia R. Gage widow of the late William Gage. Mrs. Gage had attended the May supper the night before and seemed in usual health. Thursday morning the neighbors not seeing anything of Mrs. Gage went to investigate, and found her dead in bed. Life had been extinct for several hours. Mrs. Gage had suffered for several years with heart trouble and that was the immediate cause of her death. She is survived by one son, Charles, of Thompsonville, Conn., and two brothers, Charles Collins of Long Branch, Cal., and Elvin Collins of Montpelier.

STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

C. E. Wyman of Moretown Died in Waterbury Yesterday.

Waterbury, May 4.—C. E. Wyman of Moretown, who with his wife had been staying at the home of Dr. E. A. Stanley in this village, dropped dead yesterday morning as a result of a stroke of apoplexy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyman had recently returned from a visit to Williamstown, Conn., and while on the train Mr. Wyman became ill. When he reached this village he went to the home of Dr. Stanley, where he had been staying since Saturday evening. Apparently he had recovered and had his overcoat on, ready to leave for home when stricken. Death was instantaneous.

Mr. Wyman was in the mercantile business here for a long time.

ESCAPED IN NIGHT CLOTHES.

Occupants of Farm in Windsor Were Roused Out.

Windsor, May 4.—The Collamer Woodruff farm house occupied by Edward J. Duling and family, about three miles west of this village, caught fire from a defective chimney about nine o'clock last evening and was totally destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Duling and little grandson had been in bed about half an hour when the crackling of the flames aroused them and they escaped in their night clothes through a window. The loss on the house and furniture was \$1,600, with an insurance of \$1,300.

The barn, situated about 30 feet from the burning building, was not injured.

HIS FIRST WANDERING.

For It He Will Do Hard Labor in the Prison.

Burlington, May 4.—John Babbit, the 17-year-old boy who stole some jewelry and clothing from the servants' quarters at Hotel Burlington Tuesday night, was brought into city court yesterday. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced by Judge Ayres to not more than a year nor less than ten months at hard labor in the house of correction.

He said that he was 17 years old and had no home, his relatives being in Connecticut somewhere—he didn't know where. He said this was his first departure from the right path.

BARRE FUND TO GO DIRECT

So the Local Relief Committee Decides

CLOSE SATURDAY NIGHT

Money Will Be Sent to Ex-Mayor Phelan, Chairman of the San Francisco Relief Fund Very Soon.

The Barre relief committee for the California sufferers has decided to send Barre's contribution direct to the San Francisco committee, of which ex-Mayor Phelan of that city is chairman. This action will be in accord with the practice now in vogue, since President Roosevelt's death, for the funds to be transferred through the agency of the Red Cross society. The local contributions have now passed the \$150 mark. Of this amount \$170 has already been sent either to Mayor Schmidt direct or through the Vermont Branch of the Red Cross.

The local committee decided last night to close the limit for the receiving of subscriptions, so that all who are intending to help are requested to act promptly. There are still a few of the subscription sheets out and these are also expected to be in by Saturday night. City Treasurer Macleay is treasurer of the Barre relief fund and all contributions should be turned over to him. Although the other members of the committee, Mayor Barclay, Alexander Ironside, Patrick F. McCarthy and Charles S. Wallace, will receive and properly credit subscriptions.

GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION ENDED TODAY

BY BARRE WOMAN

Miss Sadie Lowry Writes Her Sister, Mrs. W. E. Beck, of Her Experiences in the San Francisco Horror.

The following description of the San Francisco horror by a former Barre resident, Miss Sadie Lowry, in a letter to her sister, Mrs. W. E. Beck, furnished a graphic description of the terrible conditions. After explaining why she had not informed her sister of her safety sooner, Miss Lowry wrote:

"Words cannot tell you the experience I have had and come out of without a scar. I was awakened by the house rolling north, south, east and west, all at the same time, or so it seemed to me. My companion and I sprang from the bed and Kit cried: 'Dress as quickly as you can.' She seemed quite cool and collected. And of course, we were told to get out of the house as quickly as we could, as we expected the block would fall at any moment. It seemed as though the earthquake would never let up. By the time we got dressed and into the hall, it had ceased up a little. Then Kit and I got into the streets, where you could see all the latest cuts of pajamas and nightgowns.

"Everyone was in the streets then. Autos and wagons were flying to the hospital with the wounded. I ran back to my room and got my kodak. Kit and I went down to take pictures. When we reached the center of the city, it was all in flames. So we soon knew that they could not save the city, as the water pipes were broken, and the chemicals gone out.

"We hurried home for Kit and I had just rented a few rooms and were settling our own meals. And of course, we thought we would try to save a few things. Lark seemed to be coming our way, for we saw an expression without a load and looking as if he were half paralyzed. So we compelled him to move our things to my friend's home in Castro street. While Kit was helping him, I went across the street, where a grocery store was thrown open and everyone was told to help themselves. I got some things to eat and took what was in the house and went with the expressionless man. We saved almost all our things, but when we reached our friend's house and had our trunks and things taken care of, we were driven out of there by the militia. We were all on the hill, high above the city, and the flames lit up the whole city and hill. We all waited for another earthquake to send us under the sea or the fire to devour us.

"The first news that we got on the hill was that Seattle had gone under the water, and that Los Angeles, New York, Chicago and St. Louis were worse off than we were, and that Utah had disappeared from the map. So we can imagine our feelings. But we soon found out that that report was not true.

"With what food we had with us and what our friends had, that fed us until help came. All the boats in the harbor brought us provisions from the surrounding towns. When the fire was over, we found that my friend's house was not burned, but the chimneys were down. I want you to send me some Barre papers. I have sent you some Barre papers and will send some of my kodak pictures if I ever get a chance to develop them. I think I will remain here for a while. I may go home later. My address is 292 Castro street.

"Your loving sister, 'Sadie'."

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P. E. McCarthy goes to Loughborough, Mass., next week to organize a branch of the Quaker Workers union.

NEW FIRE APPARATUS FOR MONTPELIER

Fire Chief Peck Instructed to Purchase a Hook & Ladder Truck at a Cost Not to Exceed \$2,350.

Montpelier, May 4.—At a special meeting of the city council last evening, Chief John W. Peck of the fire department, reported the result of his trip made under instructions from the council to examine hook and ladder trucks and get prices.

Chief Peck reported to the council that he could purchase from the American La France Fire Engine company of Boston a modern truck complete delivered for \$2,350 and 1,000 feet of hose for \$600 to be delivered in July or August, with \$100 discount if the two are ordered together. The council unanimously instructed Chief Peck to place the order.

MAYOR CLEANS SE SIDEWALKS WITH HOSE

Washes Off City Hall Concrete This Afternoon, While Supt. Bruce and Several Merchants Look On.

City officials violated the city ordinance this afternoon by washing off the sidewalk in front of the City Hall after 10 o'clock in the morning, and also violated the order of the superintendent of streets, forbidding the use of a hose on the sidewalks.

Mayor Barclay this forenoon told the janitor, C. P. Jones, to wash the sidewalk and the latter demurred, whereupon the mayor said that he would be back at 1:30 and do it. True to his word, Mayor Barclay appeared at 1:30 and the washing was done. Mayor Barclay should be sure for a time, and Supt. Bruce looked on. Several merchants were also witnesses to the purification act.

TWO YEARS' CHASE ENDED TODAY

Deputy Sheriff Slayton Successful in Landing Frank Hutchinson in Jail—Charged With Stealing Horse.

Deputy Sheriff H. J. Slayton landed in the county jail this afternoon Frank Hutchinson, a man the county sheriff's department has been chasing for two years, for stealing a horse from Ira Gould at Woodbury. Hutchinson disappeared at the time the horse could not be found, and the Washington county grand jury found sufficient evidence to bring an indictment a year ago last fall. Former Sheriff Evans tried to find Hutchinson but failed. When Sheriff Tracy came into office he turned the case over to Deputy Slayton of this city.

Since that time Deputy Slayton has been on the trail of Hutchinson, but his man fitted from place to place with so much celerity that the officer of the law couldn't get his fingers on him. Several other officers were also assisting in the hunt and they entered the front door. Hutchinson said goodbye at the back door. He came near being caught at Worcester and again at St. Johnsbury. On Wednesday word came to Deputy Slayton that Hutchinson was probably in a lumber camp at North Danville.

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RANDOLPH ACCEPTS GIFT.

Of \$10,000 Music Hall from Col. A. B. Chandler.

Randolph, May 4.—At a meeting of the Bethany church held at the Brick church Wednesday evening the offer made last week by Col. A. B. Chandler to build a music hall, for which he will turn over to the church one of the two sites owned by the Bethany church, was unanimously accepted. A resolution was adopted to let a distinguished architect decide which building is best adapted for a house of worship and likewise to determine which of the two sites is best suited for a music hall, and to submit his report to the members of the Bethany church for their consideration.

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TO DEMAND CHECK LIST

To be Used in Barre Caucuses This Year

PETITION CIRCULATED

Only 68 Voters Are Needed to Insure Use of List, Which Will Mean That Great Majority of Voters Will Be Barred.

A petition is being circulated among the voters of the city for the use of a check list in the party caucuses which will be called to name candidates to state, district and county conventions and to nominate candidates for city representatives. One provision of the new caucus law passed by the legislature of 1904 was that if five per cent of the number of votes cast at the last previous election of voters who do not believe in the petition for the use of a check list none but those who signed the party affiliation slip on the tax inventory should be allowed to participate. This petition must furthermore be filed with the city clerk on or before May 15.

The total vote cast for governor in this city in 1904 was 1,432 thus making it necessary to secure 67 names to insure the use of the check list. The circulator of the petition had not secured the required number of signatures today but it will be a comparatively easy task to do so although it is revealing rebuffs from voters who do not believe in the law. It seems certain, therefore, that the party caucuses in Barre will be very thinly attended gatherings for the caucuses say that a small percentage of those filing out the inventories take the trouble to fill out the party tag. One of the caucuses said recently that probably one in sixty was stating his party intention for the year.

SECOND FIRE ALARM IN FIVE MONTHS.

The Water Burned Five Shingles Off the Webster House on West Street—Was Extinguished by a Woman.

The second general alarm of fire to be sounded in this city this year called out the fire department at 10:10 this morning to